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In re the Application of) Group Art Unit: 1648
Guangping Gao et al)
Appln. No. 09/665,852) Examiner: S. Foley
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For: COMPOSITIONS AND METHODS FOR) Confirmation No. 6419
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RECOMBINANT ADENO-ASSOCIATED)
VIRUSES) March 8, 2004

Commissioner for Patents
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Sir:

PETITION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME

Applicant petitions the Director of the US Patent and Trademark Office to extend the time for filing a response to the Office Action dated September 9, 2003 for three (3) months from December 9, 2003 to March 9, 2004.

Submitted herewith is a check for \$950.00 to cover the cost of the extension. Any deficiency or overpayment should be charged or credited to deposit account number 08-3040. A duplicate copy of this sheet is enclosed.

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